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preventing an execution section from executing an operation when the selected mode is not the execution mode, even if a start key is operated to transmit an execution instruction to the execution section.

34. The method of controlling an image recording apparatus according to claim 33, further comprising selecting one of a plurality of operation modes.---

Cancel claims 1-19.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination and calculation of the fees for the above-identified patent application.

The amendments to the claims which have been made in this amendment, and which have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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